HIS MONEY IN SHOT BAG

Chesterfield Farmer Stuffs Three Hundred Dollars Through Hole in His Overcoat.

FIFTEEN HUNDRED VOTERS

New Y. M. C. A. Secretary Takes Up the Work After Recovering From Attack of Fever.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
PETERSBURG, VA., Dec. 12.-A young Chesterfield man named Williamson yesterday evening had a \$300 check cashed in Petersburg and placed the moneymostly \$10 bilis-in a canvass shot bag, Mr. Williamson tucked the treasure into what he thought was his overcoat pocket, but what was, in fact, a hole in the

Upon discovesing his loss a few hours later he retraced his steps to and through this city, but diligent search resulted in failure, and no trace of the money has been found.

There will be about fifteen hundred qualified voters in the city after to-day. This number includes those who have paid their State poll taxes and those who are exempt. This total is about a thou-sand less than the registered vote.

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JAMESTOWN AUXILIARY.

The Petersburg Auxiliary to the Wonan's Association of the Jamestown Exposition Company had an enthusiastic meeting yesterday afternoon at the residence of Mrs. R. T. Meade. From present indications it is expected that the celebration movement will receive substantial results from the local organizations.

A patent was granted this week to Henry L. Plummer, Jr., and Charles D. Witherspoon of this city, for a machine for creasing and scoring leather. The machine comprises means for supporting and feeding forward the leather strap, and a revolving creaser, which is run at high speed, forming the indentation and heating the leather along the depressed line by friction to a temperature, which discolors the leather, producing a hown or black crease.

NEW SECRETARY.

W. J. Kibby, of Chicago, has arrived in this city to assume his duties as secretary of the Young Men's Christian Association, and the work in the various departments is rapidly being gotten into fine shape. Mr. Kibby was elected to the position several months ago, but when about to take up the work here, was nitacked by fover.

Miss Lattle B. Watkins, daughter of R. F. Watkins, of Marmora, Va., will be married December 22d, to Ernest Brandon, of Wilson's, Va. A patent was granted this week to

don, of Wilson's, Va.

The vestry of St. John's Church, at City Point, has extended a call to the Rev. J. Francis Ribble, of Petersburg, and Mr. Ribble will preach at that place to-morrow. The church at City Point present work, should he be unable to accept the call that has been extended.

LIST OF BOOKS RECEIVED AT THE STATE LIBRARY

The list of books received at the Virginia State Library from December 5th to December 11th, 1903, is as follows:

Connecticut Law for the Improvemen of Public Roads; List of Bills for Public and Private Acts of the General Assembly of Connecticut for 1903; Taylor's Legislative History and Souvenir of Connecticut; Connecticut Special Luws, Volume 14, Part 1., 1993; Report of State Librarian of Connecticut, 1801-1802; The Rise and Progress of the Standard Oil Company, by Gilbert Holland Montague; Report of the Exploration of the Hayes Creek Mound, Rockbridge county, Va.; The Publishers' Trade List Annual, 1803; Annual Report of the Connecticut Historical Society, May, 1863; Twenty-third Annual Report of the Contral State Hospital of Highin, for the year ending September 39, 1904; Healthy Exercises, by Robert H. Green, M. D.; House Documents of the Fifty-seventh Congress, Volume 59, 1901-1803; The Sellers and Wampole Families, by C. I Sellers; The North Carolina Booklet for December, 1903; Bulletin of the United States Geological Survey (Department of the Interior); The Librarian of Connecticut, 1901-1902; The vey (Department of the Interior); The Encyclopedia Americana, Volumes V and VI.

RIRUSSIA TO ENTERTAIN JAPAN'S PROPOSALS

(By Associated Press.)

TOKIO, Dec. 12.—Russia's reply has been received. The Russian minister informed Premier Katzura yesterday that Russia entertains Japan's proposals, probably with modifications. The general election has been fixed for March 1st.

Major Robinson's Funeral.

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(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

WINCHESTER, VA., December 12.—The
remains of Major T. N. Robinson, the famous Confederate soldier, who ded
Thursday in Washington, were interred
this afternoon at the old chapel, near
Millwood, Clarke county, Rev. Edward
Ingle, of the Episcopal Church, officiating.

Although a native of Louisiana, Major
Robinson expressed a strong desire to be

Although a native of Louisiana, Major Robinson expressed a strong desire to be burled at the old chapel, where the remains of many distinguished people repose.

The pall-bearers were T. M. Nelson, R. P. Page, W. F. Randolph, R. P. Whiting, R. H. Lee, G. H. Levewell, W. N. Nelson and George W. Nelson.

The remains were accommand by his

The remains were accompanied by his son, Norbourne Robinson, Jr.

Nominations are Made.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—The President
In-day sent to the Senate the following
nom nations:
Collector of Internal Revenue, Edward
E. Butler, for the Second District of Tenuessee,
Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Piens,
potentiary to Panama, William L. Buca,
gran, of New York

Ine non runa That is Salt Rheum or Eczema,-one

the outward manifestations of scrofula. It comes in itching, burning, oozing, dr. ing, and scaling patches, on the face, her hands, legs or body.

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Boxes; the magnificent Jaeger Robes and fine Suits and Overcoats, &c. But, if you only want to spend a quarter or fifty cents to accompany your "best wishes." here's Scarfs, Linen Handkerchiefs, Fobs, Hosiery, Sleeve Links, &c.



From 25c. to \$1.00, Silk, linen, white and deco-

From 25c. to \$2.50, As-

cots, English Squares-"Once overs." From \$1.00 to \$8.00,

white, fancy. Full dress,

single and double breast-From \$1.00 to \$2.50, tan, grays and golden brown.

styles and prices. From 25c. to \$3.00. Hose

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ELECTION CALLED

(Continued from First Page.)

in the estimation of the State Department.
The new minister was originally from Ohio, and represented the State as an agriculturist commissioner at the World's Fair at Chicago. He was appointed by President Cheveland United States minister to Buenos Ayres. His record at that point was so satisfactory that President McKinley continued him at his post for several years after his succession to office.

Colombians Reported Landed.

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(By Associated Press.)

PANAMA, Dec. 12.—Advices received here from Carlygens say that the Colombian crusers General Pinson and Cartasena have landed 400 men, under Generals Bustament and Ortiz, at Cape Tibuton, at the mouth of the Atrato River, with the object of cutting paths across the mountains to enable the Colombian troops to invade Panama.

According to these advices there is in cartagena a standing army of 1,000 men.

RECIPROCITY BILL.

No Doubt About Its Final Passage--Virginia for Hanna

(From Our Staff Correspondent.)
. WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 12.—There was no session of the Hous eto-day, and in the Senate the Cuban re-procity bill in the Senate the Cuban resprectly bill was under discussion. As there is no doubt of the final passage of the bill, and as apparently every feature of it has been gone over in the most thorough manner by Democrats and Republicans, the debates—are attracting little attention. tion. However, there will be a crowd in the galleries on Monday in anticipa-Senator Bailey, of Texas. It may be that he is to speak there are always full gal-

vention here yesterday, told a newspaper during the present session with reference man that while he was a Democrat and not a politician, be believed that if Mark Hannu were the Republican nominee to the presidency he could carry Virginia, but that he did not think accesevelt could

but that he did not think accessed could carry a single county in the State. There will not be much doubt in the minds of real politicians that Mr. Landstreet is wrong in both prognostications.

It is rumored here to-day that Senator Hanna has said that he believes Mr. Rooseveit will be nominated, but that he has doubts of his election. It is thought that that about expresses the orlinenof nine-tenths of the members of the Republican National Committee which formed Republican, who has taken great pains to learn the sentiment of the members of the committee, said to-day that of the forty-five members, only six were at heart for Mr. Roosevelt text time, and that there were gravest doubts, confidentially expressed, as to the ability of the leaders to elect him. Conditions are very similar to those of the campa'gn of 1892, when the leaders of the party were almost unanimous in their opposition to the nomination of Benjamin Harrison to a second term, and the people rison to a second term, and the people voted for "four years more of Grover." History may repeat itself.

DEMOCRATIC CAUCUS.

Offers No Amendments to Cuban Reciprocity Bill. (By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12 .- The Democratic senators in caucus to-day practically reached the conclusion not to offer Buy amendments to the Cuban reciprocial bill, when it comes up to be voted on in the Senate next Wednesday, but the result was not arrived at until after there had been a very spirited exchange of views on the subject.

The caucus was called at the instance

tion of hearing the measure discussed by of the Democratic Steering Committee, Senator Halley, of Texas, it may be that he will not speak until Tuesday. He said to-day that he expected to conclude in one day, but that if he were much interrupted it would require two days for him to complete his argument. Balley is beyond question one of the ablest men in the Senate, and when it is known that he is to speak there are always full galwhich presented a recommendation merous amendments should be present-

THE CASE OF SMOOT.

He Will Make Reply to Charges Against Him.

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—The Smate
Committee on Privileges and Elections
met to-day to outline a policy to be pursued in investigating the protests filled
against Senstor Reed Smoot being permitted to retain his seat and decided that
before taking further steps in the matter Senator Surveys to the charges.

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Senator Burrows, chairman of the committee, was instructed to notify Mr. Smoot of the decision of the committee, and to request that whatever reply he shall desire to make shall be in writing. In addition to the innumerable patitions filled with the committee for the expulsion of Mr. Smoot, two protests from citizens of Utah were presented and briefly considered by the committee. These protests charge Mr. Smoot with being a polygamist. They also charge that the Mormon Church, of which Smoot is an apostic, holds its own laws to be superfor to those of the State, and they contended that the church still stands for polygamy. During the meeting it was stated on behalf of Senator Smoot that he had employed counsel, and that John G. Carlisio would conduct the prosecution. There was considerable informal discussion of the case, in the course of which Senator they was considerable informal discussion of the case, in the course of which Sena-tor Hour spoke of the charge that the Mormon Church had undertaken to dic-tate the course of political affairs, and sald that, if true, this was a very serious matter. He urged careful inquiry on that point. The concensus of opinion point. The concensus of opinion was that if the investigation was entered upon it should be thorough. After the committee adjourned Senator Burrows notified Senator Smoot in writing and forwarded him f. copy of the charges.

The Utah senator, discussing the matter, said he would be glad to prepare a statement in denial of the charges affection his interestical statement and entered the charges affection his interestical statement.

fecting his integrity as a sonator as soon as practicable, and added that he would bring witness if necessary to substantiate his assertions.

LIABILITY BILL.

Bill Similar to Principle in Our Constitution Introduced.

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Senator Dillingham, of Vermont, has introduced a bill to repeal the clause in the appropriation bill of last year, appropriating \$150.00 for the erection of a naval hospital on the grounds of the lifygiente Museum, so called, but really the grounds set aside by the will of George Washington as the site of a mational university. The Navy Department was allowed to put the museum on the proposed university site, and now claims the entire plot. The promoters of the indicate university scheme have had the bill introduced. They do not propose to the colarse of the colarse of the variety of the colarse of the same of the colarse of the bill introduced to make the Washington of the same for the charge of the bill with the understanding that a bill drawn on the same lines of the colarse of the

WALTHOUR

The Crack Southern Wheelman, With Monroe, Finished First.

LEANDER AND MATE NEXT

The Winners Had a Good Lead A Bad Spill Near the Finish Adds Excitement to Race.

(By Associated Press.) NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—With a flash of colors and yells from the throats of twenty-five thousand enthusinsts, Walthour, for himself and his team mate. Munroe, won the six day bleyele race in Madison Square Gardon, which ended at four minutes past 10 o'clock to-night. Forty yards separated Walthour from Leander, who was second at the finish

Forty yards separated Walthour from Leander, who was second at the finish, being ton good yards ahead of Floyd-Krebs, behind whom came Fisher, an indifferent fourth.

It was a spectacular finish, made more so by the fact that of the seven riders who took the pace to sprint the last mile, four fell crashing in a heap just as half the final journey had been completed. At the bank on the Fourth Avenue and Twenty-sixth Street end, Breton was riding on the outside. His front tire came off, and he practically swept all those near him down on the incline to the finat below. His wheel was smashed and he and the others were cut, bruised and scratched. In the bunch that went down were Breton, Fisher, Newkirk, Floyd-Krebs and John Bedell. Both Bedell and Breton were knocked unconscious. The others were half dazed, with the exception of Ployd-Krebs.

WHEEL TO WHEEL THEY SPED. It had been decided by the management before the final sprint that falls should not count in favor of the rider, but that those who escaped in falls should ride on. This left Walthour and Leander in the final sprint. Leander and Walthour were about together at the end of the ninth kap, with Walthour half a wheel aheand. Walthour let Leander keep at the end of his wheel till the Twenty-sixth Street side of the Garden on the lest lap was reached. Then he made a rpurt and shot away, winning by at least lifty yards.

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THE SPILLED RIDERS RESUMED. While the final sprint was going on Ployd-Krebs had been picking up, and he rode around after Leander and Walthour, laps behind, but a good third. Fisher also managed to get up and rode slowly around, getting fourth money. Newkirk won by a sprint on the last lap, and got fifth place.

This left the order of the race as follows:

Walthour and Munroe: Leander and

Butler; Krebs and Peterson; Bowler and Fisher; Newkirk and Jacobson; Content and Breton; J and M. Bedell, each team with 2,318 miles and three laps to its Keegan and Moran finished eighth,

with 2,318 miles and two laps, and Sam-son and Vanderstuyft, ninth, with 2,243 miles and nine laps to their credit. The record for the time is 2,733 miles and

INVESTIGATION AGAIN ON WEDNESDAY NIGHT

The two important meetings scheduled for the City Hall next week are the Boardi of Aldermen Tuesday night at 8 o'clock and the investigating committee on Wednesday night at the same hour. The former will have a heavy schedule and the latter will proceed with the municipal investigation.

cipal investigation.

Captain A. Pizzini, Jr., will be on the stand, and will probably be the only

captured and the alleged gambles were carried to the station-house.

Fine Musicians, These.

The Columbian Quartette Club, of Weshington, D. C., will make its first appearance in this city under the auspices of the Young Ladies' Society of Grace Episcopal Church, on Thursday, December 20th, at the Y. M. C. A. Hall. This club, which is composed of some of the best musical talent of Washington, is well known in the larger cities throughout the country as one of the best musical originizations of its And.

The director and accompanist, Dr. J. W. Bischoff, the celebrated bilind organist and composer, has been a prominent ligure in musical circles for over a quarter of a century. His numerous compositions, which include "Bobolink," "Rock of Arcs." "Cood-Night, Ewect Dreams" and "Unanswered," have given him a national reputation, and his work as choir director and organist has placed him in the leading position in musical circles in Washington.

The sopranc of the quartette is Mrs.

ington.
The soprano of the quartette is Mrs. Elsie Bond Bischoff, the young and talented wife of Dr. Bischoff. She possesses a voice of pure, high, rich quality, her execution being brilliant and smooth and her trill exquisite. The other members of the quartette consist of Mrs. Adelaide Lynham Humphrey, contraite, Mr. Douglas G. Miller, tener, and Mr. Herbett D. Lawson, bass.
This organization appears here for the

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This organization appears here for the benefit of the organ fund of Grace Episcopal Church, and will doubtless meet with a warm reception from Richmond music lovers.

ALWAYS TROUBLE WITH NEW JERSEY OFFICERS

Governor Montague is much put out on account of the failure of the New Jersey officers to promptly deal with requisition papers sent them by His Excellency. Chilef-of-Police Ragiand, of Petersburg, went to Trenton lost week, armed with papers for one J. W. Fishburn, a negro preacher, who is wanted in the Cockada City for an alleged crime. The matter was postponed by the New Jersey officers first, until last Tuesday and next until the coming Tuesday. It is a fact that there is some hitch every time the Governor issues a paper on the Governor of New Jersey.

Major Helms May Run.

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It is rumored around the Capitol that Major G. M. Helms, superintendent of the penitentiary, who was defeated for re-election to that position last Manday, may enter the race for Register of the Land Office, against Colonel John W. Richardson.

Major Helms is at the Capitol daily, conforring with members, though he does not say he is in the field.

Many Changes Made.

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The bill in relation to county government has passed both Houses of the General Assembly and been approved by the Governor. The bill makes some sweeping changes in the present law. It provides that clerks, sheriffs and tressurers shall give their bonds in trust companies and that all county officers assuming duty on January J. 1904, shall qualify before the Circuit instead of the County Courts.

All Night Affair.

The Cecella Yachting Club will give a reception Christmas eve night at the come of the preddent, Mr. John E. Roc-cher No. 2101 E. Marshall Street, at 8

"clock."
This will be an all night affair, and a programme has been arranged that will afford amusement to all present. All the membe s are requested to wear the colors of the club.

TWO FAVORITES AT NEW ORLEANS

Dutiful the Winner of the Preliminary Derby for Two-

Year-Olds. (By Associated Press.)
NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 12.—Rain fell af.

cipal investigation.
Captain A. Pizzini, Jr., will be on the stand, and will probably be the only witness.
There will be at least one more public meeting, and then work will be taken upon the report.
Following is the full schedule of meetings for the week:
Board of Alfermen, Tuesday, 8 P. M.
Electricity Committee, Monday, 7:30 P. M.
Street Committee, Tuesday, 8 P. M.
Light Committee, Tuesday, 8 P. M.
Printing Committee, Tuesday, 8 P. M.
Investigating Committee, Wednesday, 8 P. M.
Cemeteries Committee, Wednesday, 8 P. M.
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Cramath and Waymack, of the Manchester police force, shortly after midnight raided a crap joint in Tanyard Bottom, Manchester, and arrested Dan Hobson and nine other negroes, charging them with playing craps.
The paraphernalla of a crap game was

Each of the third race to-day, but not in sufficient quantilies to spoil the speed of the track, for the preliminary Derby for two track, for the preliminary Derby fo ter the third race to-day, but not in suf-ficient quantities to spoil the speed of the

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Mild cases, not chronio are often cured with one or two bottles. At

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ANOVATION FOR WILLIAM

The German Ruler's First Appearance After His Illness.

HE WAS CHEERED BY CROWDS

Spontaneous Outburst Greeted Emperor William's First Public Appearance.

(By Associated Press.)
BERLIN, Dec. 12.—Emperor William and the Empress arrived here to-day rom Potsdam. They were warmly It was the Emperor's first appearance putside of the park of the new palace at Potsdam since the operation on his throat, He looked perfectly strong and healthy, his cheeks having a good color such as he would naturally have from hours spent every day in the open air of the park. The Emperor walked briskly, almost jauntilly, from the private entrance of the station to a closed court carriage, pausing for an instant to acknowledge by a military salute, the cheers of the accidental crowds, attracted by the sight of the court equipage and the unitual details of police, for no one knew precisely what member of the royal family was expected.

WILLIAM WARMLY GREETED.

Spontaneous cheers broke out as the Emperor became visible in the doorway. The inhabitants of Berlin are not much given to cheering, and the outburst, therefore, was remarkable. Similar demonstrations took place along the thoroughfares from the station to the Royal Academy of Arts on account of the crowd of Christmas shoppers, most of whom could barely catch a glimpse of the Emperor through the windows of his carriage.

Upon leaving the Royal Academy of Arts, the imperial couple drove to the Castle. They were greated with hearty cheers all along the route.

This evening the Emperor and Empress visited the Royal Theatre, where a light military comedy, "In The King's Uniform" was performed.

Their entrance was the signal for a great ovation to which their Majdentas bowed their acknowledgments. The Emperor looked, and his animated expression showed, that he had quite recovered from the effects of his operation. his cheeks having a good color such as he would naturally have from hours spent

BUSINESS GROWING.

Postmaster Knight Writes Inter-

esting Letter to Director North Director S. N. North, of the Department of Commerce and Labor, has written Postmaster Knight, asking him to send to that department the population of Richmond, with the business and indus-trial progress for the three years since

trial progress for the three years since the census was taken.

Postmaster Knight has gone over the field carefully and has consulted authorities and has sent Director North his reply, embodying the following:

In 1901, the population was 55,485; 1902, 55,920; 1903, 55,355. This latter indicates the population within the corporate limits. Postmaster Knight, estimating from the amount of business done at the office, that there are 35,000 persons living on the outskirts of the city. This makes a total number of 121,355 persons within the business limits of the postofice.

In the six years from 1837 to June of the present year, the business increased sixty per cent.

Postmaster Knight says that the bust-

Postmaster Knight says that the business done at the Richmond postoffice is shown to be much larger than that in a number of larger cities.

In a list of fifty cities, Richmond stands thirty-second in volume of business, and forty-fifth in population.

The report states that the business of Richmond this year is normal. There is no apparent increase in material develment, although there will be shown an increase of business through the postoffice as compared to that of last year. The business of the postoffice for the year ending June 30th, was \$348,837.29.

WATER FAMINE.

Runaway Team With a Blazing Load.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

WINCHESTER, VA., December 12.—
Frederick county has been threatened with a water famine. In many sections the cisterns are dry, wells are low and streams have dwindled. Some farmers, and especially the residents of the various hamlets and villages, have been compelled to haul drinking water for man and beast, Wednesday there was a copious snowfall, which will relieve the situation if it melts slowly.

This section has had very little rain for months, and it has been the dryest spell in years.

Sparks from the engine of a shredding machine at the farm of Hen. H. H. Downing, near Front Royal, sot fire to a load of fodder Tuesday. The mule team became frightened and ran off with the blazing load. Before any further damage could be done the animals fell and were resoued, but the wagon and fodder were incherated.

TWO ARE KILLED, SEVERAL INJURED

(By Associated Press.)
WHEELING. W. VA., Dec. 12.—Northbound passengtr train, known as the Pittsburg and Kenova flyer, on the Pan Handle Railroad, collided head-on with a south-bound cattle train at Glenova, a few miles above this city at 10 o'clock to-night. The dead:
ENGINEER THOMAS MURRAY, of the passenger train; lived at Stouben-ville.

ville.

FIREMAN JAMES LANAHAN, of the stock train; Sicubenville.

The injured:
Frank MoKay, baggagemaster, Wheeling; leg broken.

Detective William Johnson, Pittsburg;
skull fractured. rainman Frank Cartwright, Wheeling; broken.

BIG DEALS IN

LUMBER LANDS

(By Associated Press.)

TAMPA, FLA. December 12.—Hedric and Raley have just completed a deal by which 81,000 acres of timber land in De Soto county changed hands, the purchasers being A. E. Hough and others associated with him, all of Michigan. The price paid was \$150,000.

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TALLAHASSEE, FLA., December 12,—
An immense deal in timber lands has
just been consummated. The deal consists of the transfer of 54,000 acres of
timber land in Taylor county, and the
price paid was \$315,000. It is said to be
the largest single deal of the world ever
transacted.